

**Mashpee Affordable Housing Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
July 5, 2016 at 6:30 pm  
Mashpee Town Hall**

**Present:** Chairman Walter Abbott, Allan Isbitz, Berkeley Johnson

**Also Present:** Assistant Town Manager Wayne Taylor, Selectmen Tom O'Hara

**Absent:** Bruce Willard, Marie Stone

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Abbott opened the meeting at 6:40 p.m. with a quorum and the roll was called.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES-January 26, 2016 & June 7, 2016**

The minutes were deferred due to an insufficient quorum of attending members.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Zachary's**

Chairman Abbott reported that he contacted Community Builders regarding the availability of Zachary's to be used for affordable housing. The Chair provided Community Builders with the name of the realtor and the town tax rolls information. No additional information has been received. Mr. Isbitz suggested that a non-profit called POAH may be interested, and noted that he would contact them.

**Feasibility Study**

The Committee discussed the Feasibility Study for 950 Falmouth Road. Most of the discussion summarized the current status of the site for the new Assistant Town Manager, Wayne Taylor. It was noted that Mashpee had applied for \$30,000, and received \$10,000, to fund a preliminary report that would relieve some of DCHD's concerns. The report was completed and it appeared that the Town could complete the full Feasibility Study. It was believed that the Assistant Town Manager would now need to submit a request for the remaining \$20,000 to complete the study. Mr. Isbitz indicated that he would get in touch with Laura Shufelt regarding her thoughts about moving forward. Mr. Isbitz and the Chair will meet with Mr. Taylor to further discuss affordable housing matters.

Mr. Taylor inquired about the Committee's status with Quashnet Valley Estates and Quashnet Valley Condo group. Chairman Abbott reported that Mr. Willard, of the Affordable Housing Committee, lived in Quashnet Valley Estates and communicated updates to both parties. Some residents believed that an affordable housing project would be pursued and it would benefit them to stay informed about potential projects. The Quashnet Valley Condo group was mixed with some supporting and some against affordable housing. There was discussion regarding Yarmouth and the Dakota Partners' affordable housing project.

**Tribal Housing Update**

There was discussion regarding the inclusion of tribal housing in the Town's affordable housing inventory. There remained no definitive information to determine whether it would qualify or not. It was not known by the Committee how an individual would qualify for the housing.

**Mashpee Commons**

The Chair reported that the affordable housing lottery was held for apartments at Mashpee Commons. Chairman Abbott expressed his disappointment that an off-Cape firm, SEB, was used for the lottery, resulting in a small number of applicants. The Chair felt that using the Housing Assistance Corporation of Hyannis might have been better. Nine applicants were selected for 13 units. Seven of the units will be built in 2016 and the other five would be built in 2017. It was noted that the winners of two units scheduled for 2017 would need to refile an application in 2017. The Chair agreed to go to ZBA to try to obtain an Affordable Housing Restriction Agreement and One Stop Application.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ZBA & CPC Agenda Distribution List**

The Chair reported that the Committee was on the copy list to receive agendas for Planning Board and ZBA. The Chair will also request that the Committee be added to the CPC agenda list.

## **EDUCATION/MARKETING**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

## **MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, August 2 at 6:30 p.m., depending upon the availability of information, as determined by Chairman.

**Mr. Isbitz made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by,

Jennifer M. Clifford  
Board Secretary  
As reported by  
Chairman Bud Abbott

There is no recording of this meeting